

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L ACCRA 6929

C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (REFERENCE 214253 VICE 213253)

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, UR, SO, ET, GH  
SUBJ: DRAWING AFRICAN ATTENTION TO SOVIET ACTIVITY IN THE HORN

REF: STATE 214253

1. GOG HAS NOT PAID MUCH ATTENTION TO SOVIET ROLE IN HORN, IN PART BECAUSE OF SEVERE INTERNAL PROBLEMS AND IN PART BECAUSE IT HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN MORE INTERESTED IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. HOWEVER, GIVEN HEAD OF STATE ACHEAMPONG'S FEARS THAT SOVIETS ARE OUT TO ENCOURAGE AND EXPLOIT STRIFE EVERYWHERE IN AFRICA, WE THINK GHANA MIGHT POSSIBLE BE INDUCED TO JOIN WITH OTHER AFRICAN STATES IN EXPRESSING CONCERN.
  2. WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER NIGERIA WOULD BE WILLING TO TAKE THE LEAD IN ORGANIZING A PROTEST OF SOME KIND BUT IF SO, GHANA WOULD PROBABLY RESPOND FAVORABLY TO NIGERIAN AND US SUGGESTIONS THAT IT ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH EFFORT.
  3. A UNILATERAL US DEMARCHE TO GOG WOULD NOT BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE BUT WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY FAIL TO HAVE ANY CONCRETE
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RESULTS. ACHEAMPONG WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO GET OUT IN FRONT OF OTHER AFRICAN STATES ON THIS ISSUE. WE THEREFORE PROPOSE TO HOLD OFF RAISING SUBJECT WITH GOG UNTIL WE GET A READING FROM AMEMBASSY LAGOS AND DEPT ON POSSIBILITY IF ANY, THAT NIGERIA MIGHT BE ENTICED TO STAR IN THIS SCRIPT.  
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